METHOD, SYSTEM AND PROGRAM FOR DIRECT CLIENT FILE ACCESS IN A DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM ABSTRACT

Provided is a method, system, and program implemented by a server for controlling and providing access to a file to at least one remote computer over a network. The server maintains metadata about files. The files are maintained at remote storage locations. The server receives a request from the remote computer for a filename of a requested file over the network. The server determines from the metadata one remote storage location address associated with the filename where the requested file is located. The server then updates the metadata for the requested file and sends the storage location address to the remote computer.